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1. At a meeting of Hong Kong dissidents on 15 June 1948, it was decided to send an inquiry to MAO Tse-tung asking for a detailed statement of the support which the Chinese Communist Party would give if the dissident group should collaborate with the CCP.

2. A reply was received from MAO on 6 July, in which he listed the following points:

(1) All troops and civil officials should be brought under unified control and newly acquired territory should not be left to the control of local officials.

- (2) LI Chi-shen's Kuangtung troops should be sufficiently trained and equipped to capture all key positions.

- (3) Kwangsi troops should be ready to act simultaneously.

- (4) Fifth columnists, in addition to those LI indicated he has already, should be ready to carry out a sure-fire plan for sabotage of communications. Destruction should be sufficient to stop the Nationalist troops but should not be complete.

- (5) District chiefs should have food and supplies stockpiled for one year.

- (6) Minerals and essential raw materials should be in a common stockpile.

- (7) All foreigners should be interned for the duration when hostilities begin.

- (8) Political matters might be discussed at a future meeting.

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